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Cal/EPA Secretary Issues Statement on EAAC Recommendations

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Environmental Protection Agency Secretary Linda Adams today issued the following statement regarding the release of the Economic and Allocation Advisory Committee (EAAC) report of recommendations to help inform California officials on the development of a cap-and-trade program by the California Air Resources Board pursuant to AB32:

“I’d like to thank the members of the committee for tackling some of the most challenging policy options facing state officials as we design a cap-and-trade system. Getting a system designed properly is essential to protect our environment and grow a clean-energy economy. The value of a clean environment belongs to the people and these recommendations provide a very thoughtful proposal to provide the majority of the allowance value back to the people. There has been an extremely thorough discussion of the complex issues facing the state, and I thank the committee for their expertise and enormous time commitment. My Air Resources Board will be reviewing these suggestions very carefully as they prepare the revised cap-and-trade draft regulation for release this spring.”

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